

# THE DEMOCRAT

Monday - June 14

## County School Superintendent.

We are authorized to announce Captain G. W. CROOK as a candidate for County Superintendent of Free Schools of Lewis county.

Election August 18, 1875.

We are authorized to announce MAJOR T. SMITH, of Big Skin Creek, as a candidate for Superintendent of Free Schools, of Lewis county.

## THE COUNTY LEVY.

25 Cents on the \$100.

The present term of the County Court has been an extremely busy one—the large number and wonderful variety of the claims presented having amazed and puzzled the Court exceedingly. After allowing the claims, and providing for a reasonable contingent fund, the levy was fixed at 25 cents on the \$100 value of all taxable property.

It was also ordered that a road tax be collected, as follows:

Court House district 10 cents on the \$100  
Freeman's Creek 50 cents on the \$100  
Hacker's Creek " " "  
Skin Creek " " "  
Collins' Settlement " " "

The settling up of last year's transactions makes a very creditable exhibit in behalf of the County Court system; for had it not been for the unexpected number of claims, the levy would have been reduced to 25 cents on the \$100.

## We Win the Bonnet.

In our last issue we noted a bit of ours that the election in Wood county, on the proposition to discard the County Court system, and have a County Judge, would be ingloriously defeated. That bonnet is ours. The County Court system is sustained by the voters by a large majority; and the people rejoice. It is as well that small fry lawyers who aspire to be "District Judges" should understand that the County Court is the Court of the people; and they are not going to abolish it.

## Incidents of the Capital Removal.

The scene at Charleston, when Governor Jacob and the other State officers left, was said to be a combination of the comical and tragical. It is reported that amid the roar of "indignant" artillery, and the jeers and hisses of the crowd, Judge Jim Ferguson, in the absence of blunderbuss and cutlery, shook angrily his "green bag of magic incantation" at the departing executive. From every window of the Journal office, the "devil" rattled the last issue of that paper, threatening them with Jeff Davis for President of the United States, while from the Courier office were heard deep and suppressed groans of anguish. After a long separation, misery sought company, and the persons of Ferguson, the Journal and the Courier, though long estranged, became the chief mourners—these three and no more; the mournful trio discoursed as follows:

Ferguson. The law! the law!! by jove, with ponderous power, must bind the recalcitrant friends, ere the prize is gone. The "magic" charm which we invoked has failed—My brain is burdened. Yes, I am more than Judge, I'll have revenge.

Courier. Doubts will arise my lord, as to who shall wield this power. 'Tis said that these things come upon us like a tempest cloud and fill us with special wonder. But true they are. My thoughts are on the wing to-day. I sigh for rest. I must have time for reflection. The occasion is pregnant with mighty results.

Journal. Talk not thus my seniors, my heart must break if this is all my comfort. The crisis is here. Whither shall I fly. Prowling battlements of 'constitutional' law laid down upon us. I'll call to my aid the chivalrous Southern Davis, perchance his magnanimous succor may be at hand. I'll forget the past, for in this hour when the fates are against us, any way for relief, be he God or devil. I groan heavily. Am I a man? If so I must be brave. "My Jacob" has wounded me in spirit. Tears will fall.

Unexpectedly enters the Chronicle. My mission is one of comfort. Impotent alike your smiles or frowns the people have spoken, and you must submit. The Executive only obeys the voice of the people, expressed through their representatives. Pret not your precious selves, nor torture your already disturbed spirits. There is wisdom as well as prudence in prudent and right action. We leave you to your reflections. There is sometimes relief in tears.—Petersburg City Item.

Another small 'steal' of about \$40,000 and odd has been discovered in the United States Treasury. Small robberies however like this are not counted by the honest party now controlling the government.

Four men are anxious to be Governor of that vast and impenetrable stretch of country known as Rhode Island.

RUTHERFORD B. HAYES has been nominated for Governor of Ohio, by the Republican Convention of that State. William Allen will rise up and reach for him, and then his race will be of few days and full of trouble.

PENNSYLVANIA and Ohio Republicans denounce the shadow, but endorse the substance of Censurism. Let a Republican President be elected in 1876, and it will not take a quarter of a century to convert us into an Empire.

## A Trick.

The Pittsburgh Post sensibly observes: "The appropriations of the various Departments at Washington are running extremely short and there will be heavy deficiencies to be met by the next Congress. This Radical trick had as well be exposed at once. All the estimates were purposely made below the probable expenditures, and the expenditures have been purposely extravagant, with a view of charging extravagance upon the Democratic House of the next Congress, which will be called upon to make up the Radical deficiencies of 1875. The trick, however, is too transparent to deceive anybody."

## The Reign of Good Feeling.

The passions, hate and bitterness which grew out of the late unhappy war, are now, after years of political strife and sectional partisan bickering, subsiding. The healthful current has set in the right direction. We see happy evidences of good feeling cropping out in all directions. Let the work of reconciliation go on. The Cincinnati Enquirer, remarking upon the decoration of the graves of soldiers, on both sides, that fell in the conflict of arms between the two sections, says it will mark to the future the annals of the nation; the passion and the animosities growing out of the civil war had so far subsided that the late fraternal enemies in deadly combat could agree to unite in paying funeral honors and respect to the heroes who had fallen upon each side. Let us hail this most auspicious union of the Blue and Gray! Let us indiscriminately strew the flowers of regret over the graves of the brave men, who, Americans all, were willing to peril their lives for what each considered the cause of his country. We are rapidly receding in time from the era of division and war. More than half a generation has elapsed since it closed. We are all under one flag. We all owe allegiance to the same Government. We are all equally willing to confront any foreign enemy who may make his appearance upon our shores. In these grasping hands in the present—like looking forward to a common future in the destiny of the Union—let us bury any remembrance of the past calculated to prevent the rekindling of the old National fires of patriotism that used to blaze from Maine to Louisiana. We cannot better usher in the Centennial of our Independence than in this mutual union of the survivors of the lately contending armies at the graves of their old comrades and opponents. It is what might have been expected. Valor is always chivalrous and generous. It always respects and honors a courageous opponent next to a brave and devoted friend. Since the soldiers of the war, North and South, are coming forward and shaking hands over the decorated tombs of their comrades, who will hold back from the general reunion? The "bloody chasm" has indeed been bridged, and the only contest which now exists between the Union and old Confederate armies is as to who shall be the kindest to their former opponents, and who hereafter will most cordially rally around the flag of the Common Country.

## General Grant.

"When the Republican Convention of South Carolina," says the Cincinnati Enquirer, "several months ago adopted a resolution in favor of a third term the President deemed it beneath the dignity of the office which he has been twice called upon to fill, to say anything about the matter. But the Republican Convention of Pennsylvania pronounced against a third term, and Grant hastens to say that he is a candidate for the third term just as he was for the first, no more and no less. The South Carolina Republican Convention resolved 'That in the distinguished soldier and statesman now at the head of our Nation we recognize one who, in peace, as well as in war, possessed that fidelity of purpose and integrity of character, so necessary to insure tranquility at home, respect abroad, and the permanency of the good and glorious principles which have become the corner-stone of the great Republic to which we belong, and for this reason we pledge ourselves to the support of President Grant for a third term, assured, by so doing, we shall preserve that peace and unity throughout the whole country so necessary for its prosperity.'"

The reticent President didn't find it necessary to say a word about that. The Republicans of Pennsylvania said that they were unalterably opposed to a third term, and he forthwith wrote a letter to the President of that State Convention, in effect announcing himself as a candidate—for a third term. He shows sympathy for having relinquished that "life position" in the army. He insists upon the sacrifice he has made in accepting the Presidency twice. When opposition is shown to third term the President says: I deem it not improper that I should now speak." When South Carolina nominated him Grant deemed it improper to speak. When Pennsylvania says we don't want you again, Grant says that he is more willing to become a Presidential candidate in 1876 than he was in 1868, or 1872, and he frankly explains why. He sacrificed himself in 1868, and it would require no sacrifice on his part in 1876, to accept the nomination.

Judge Thompson, of Ohio county, is spoken of for Judge of the Court of Appeals.

AND now it comes to pass that as the further purloining of Congressional seats from West Virginia has been stopped, the Hon. J. Marshall Hoagson's occupation is gone, and he placed the Rocky Mountains, and the plains, and the grasshopper plague, and any number of rivers, "between him and his." In sober prose Mr. Hoagson has lit out for the far West. Whether in that distant territory he means to ply his vocation, remains for the future to disclose.—Martinsburg Statesman.

## Supreme Bench.

We last week copied from the Randolph Enterprise an editorial presenting Judge Brannon, as the proper man to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Paull, every word of which we cheerfully endorse, and believe that no better man than Judge Brannon can be found in the State to fill the place. We already hear it said that this or that section should have the candidate. We care not where the man comes from so he is competent for the position. What care the people where the candidate comes from, so he is the man for the place. We are tired of hearing that this or that officer should come from the First District, or the Second or Third. All this is wrong, and only tends to build up geographical lines in our State; a thing greatly to be feared by all well wishers of the Democratic party.—Philippi Plaindealer.

## Harper's Ferry.

The question which has arisen regarding the rights of parties in the Harper's Ferry property will probably be disposed of now. The property was sold to one Adams and others by the government; but the purchasers have never complied with the terms of sale. These parties have induced the government to join them in a suit against the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, regarding the right of way, which the latter company has through there, and a few days ago, Judge Jackson, at Clarksburg, delivered an opinion overruling the demurrer of the company to the bill, but, while doing so, intimated as his opinion that the enjoyment of this right of way, by a license of the United States government for upwards of forty years, would constitute an indefeasible title to the permanency of the privilege. The case may come up on its merits, and the Company has sixty days in which to answer. The result may be that the property will revert to the government, and Washington Republican thus speaks on the subject:

"A decision will be given about the 6th of September next, and every well-judging person informed of the facts is of the opinion that the decision will be fully and squarely in favor of the railroad company. Anticipating this, it is understood that the purchasers are now willing that the government shall reinstate itself in its title, and we have the highest authority for stating that early in the next session of Congress, Hon. Charles J. Faulkner, member of Congress from that district, will introduce a bill to settle the dispute in favor of the government, and at the same time accompany the bill with a proposition that the government shall rebuild the armory at that point—first as a national necessity, and second, as a fair concession to the South. This proposition seems practicable and most reasonable. The re-instatement of the government in its title, is a matter in which all are interested, and it was manifestly sound in law and public policy, the proposition will undoubtedly command the serious attention of Congress."

## Model Management of the Administration.

Certain transaction of very doubtful character in the Navy Department, have induced to be asked, "How is the Department managed?" The people pay \$30,000,000 a year for the maintenance of the Department, and yet it is declared that we have not a first-class ship in the Navy. As illustrations of the way things are managed, the following cases are cited: The ship "California" was seven years in the builder's hands, and started on her first trip early in 1871. Her period of service was only about two years, and most of that was spent in port. She cost \$1,500,000, and yet was sold a few days ago for \$23,650, and the San Francisco papers say the buyers got a bad bargain. This is not the only case. The Sava, New York, Pennsylvania, Antietam, Guerriere, Illinois and Delaware repeat the history of the California. The first named three have been on the stocks since 1865. The Illinois disappeared in 1873, and no record can be found of what became of her. The Antietam was sold May 15th for \$5,500, yet last winter Secretary Robeson stated to the Navy Committee of the United States Senate, that the copper sheathing alone of this ship cost \$50,000.

There had been expended on her construction \$862,487 up to January 1, 1875. The case of the Guerriere is nearly as bad. This ship, on her first cruise, was run aground on the Italian coast, and so badly damaged that her repairs cost over \$100,000. After this she never was again at sea, and sold at New York in 1872 for \$54,000. Her first cost was \$1,154,325. The Delaware returned to New York after her first voyage to the East Indies, entirely unfit for further sea service, although more than a million of dollars was spent in building her. Of the eight new ships built on the three have done any sea service, and those but little, although we have spent \$10,000,000 in building them. What other government in the world would quietly submit to such waste and imbecility? No wonder the last Congress found it necessary to increase the taxes of the people to the tune of \$85,000,000 a year.

# J. R. RYAN & CO.

Wish to announce to the public that they are now selling at  
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A Set of HARNESS from \$6 50 up. BRIDLES \$1 and upwards.  
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They also wish it known that they have a good assortment of

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DEER AND SHEEP SKINS WANTED,  
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All who are indebted to us will please come and settle. Good produce taken into or in exchange for goods.  
Remember the place—Clifton's old stand, 1 door below Ralston's, on Main Street, Weston.

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GEO. A. JACKSON,  
LOUIS McBRIDE,  
L. E. WOOD,  
WM. McBRIDE.



## JACKSON, McBRIDE & CO.,

Announce to the public that in addition to their facilities for furnishing Sash, Blinds, Doors, &c., they have opened a warehouse in the building formerly occupied as a tin shop, near the residence of Judge Edmiston, where they will keep on hand a full assortment of

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With the help of the most approved machinery, they are enabled to furnish from the PLAINEST and CHEAPEST, to the most FASHIONABLE and ELEGANT styles of Furniture at reduced prices. At their Machine Shop they will continue to furnish FLOORING, BRACKETS, SCROLL WORK and either sawed or turned. Those about to build will find it to their advantage to consult their Prices.  
Special attention given to Undertaking CENTRIFUGAL machines on hand and for sale  
Weston, Feb. 22, '74.

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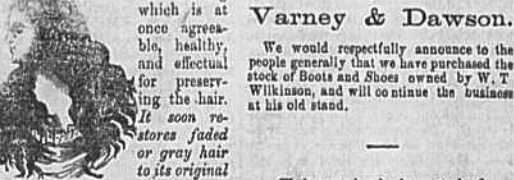
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STEAM GAUGES, WHISTLES, VALVES, COCKS, OIL CUPS,  
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ELITE AND SEWER PIPE, GUM HOSE AND PACKING,  
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For restoring to Gray Hair its natural Vitality and Color.



A dressing which is at once agreeable, healthy, and effectual for preserving the hair. It soon restores faded or gray hair to its original color, with the gloss and freshness of youth. Thin hair is thickened, falling hair checked, and baldness often, though not always, cured by its use. Nothing can restore the hair where the follicles are destroyed, or the glands atrophied and decayed; but such as remain can be saved by this application, and stimulated into activity, so that a new growth of hair is produced. Instead of fouling the hair with a pasty sediment, it will keep it clean and vigorous. Its occasional use will prevent the hair from turning gray or falling off, and consequently prevent baldness. The restoration of vitality gives to the scalp arrests and prevents the formation of dandruff, which is often so uncleanly and offensive. Free from those deleterious substances which make some preparations dangerous, and injurious to the hair, the Vigor can only benefit, but not harm it. If wanted merely for a HAIR DRESSING, nothing else can be found so desirable. Containing neither oil nor dye, it does not soil white cambric, and yet lasts long on the hair, giving it a rich, glossy lustre, and a grateful perfume.

Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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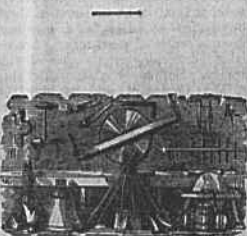
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Real Estate Agent,  
Weston, W. Va.,  
Will practice in Lewis and adjoining counties as Agent of the National Co-Operative Business Agency Company, will procure American and Foreign Patents, Prosecute Bounty, Pension, and all other kinds of Government Claims, and collect debts of every description in any part of the United States.  
He will also act as a Real Estate Agent and as such possesses unequalled facilities for the buying and selling of Land and Real Estate.  
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# Chaffant & Moore,

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**HARDWARE,**  
AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS,  
**Window Glass, Paints, Oil,**  
FAMILY GROCERIES, &c.,  
Main Street, Weston.

The attention of Patrons of Husbandry, and all others in want of goods in our line, is called to our large and varied stock now being placed in our spacious warehouse, recently refitted and modernized, at No. 10, Main Street.



## Tools for Farmers and Mechanics

Full and complete assortment at the lowest rates; and particular attention will be paid to furnishing a complete outfit of blacksmith's tools, such as  
ANVILS, BELLOWS, VICES, STOCK DIES, HAMMERS, SLEDGES, &c.

## SLIGO AND JUNIATA IRON

of all kinds and sizes, and every piece warranted of the best quality, at lowest prices.



## STOVES & CASTINGS,

Call and examine our stock of

## STOVES, GRATE FRONTS, HOLLOW WARE,

Sold at prices to defy competition.

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## Lamps and Lamp Chimneys

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Of the best brand.

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In endless variety.

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and in short a complete assortment of goods suitable for the wants of our people, we have on hand and will sell them as low as they can possibly be sold.

Give us a call, examine our stock and ask for prices.

Remember the place—the room formerly occupied by F. M. Chaffant as Druggist.

Weston, April 12.

# THE PEOPLE'S DRUG STORE

E. T. SOMERVILLE has removed from the Democrat building to the elegant new Drug Store just completed at the  
**Old Chaffant Stand,**  
and upon entering into the new Store, has purchased an entirely  
**New Stock**  
of everything in his line.  
**DRUGS,**  
**MEDICINES,**  
**OILS, PAINTS,**  
**DYE-STUFFS,**  
**DRUGGISTS' NOTIONS,**  
**SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS,**  
Pure Wines and Liquors, (for Medicinal Purposes) and, in fact, everything that can be found in a first-class drug store.  
Knowing that low prices first-class goods, and courteous attention will bring custom, I shall endeavor to offer all these advantages to the people.  
**My terms are strictly CASH.**  
This course is necessary, because I shall sell my goods at bottom prices.  
Thankful for past patronage, and hoping to merit a continuance of public favor, I am,  
Very Respectfully,  
E. T. SOMERVILLE.  
Prescriptions carefully compounded at all hours.  
Weston, April 5.

## To the Public.

Since the great reduction in the price of

## FURNITURE,

together with my many facilities for furnishing the same, I wish to call the attention of my patrons and the public to the fact that I have now on hand a much larger stock than heretofore, of all kinds of

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which I offer for sale at PRICES GREATLY REDUCED, such as will, I guarantee, bear the test of competition. I also keep on hand a full stock of

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FLINN'S PATENT BED-SPRINGS, ROSEWOOD & GILT MOULDING of all sizes. FRAMES of all sizes made to order. Parties wishing to get a fine CHAMBER SET or PARLOR SUIT will find it greatly to their advantage and have no risk to run by getting me to order for them. Catalogue of prices and sample cloth shown on application.

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## Undertaking

a specialty. I have now on hand ready made COFFINS of all styles and sizes, and will shortly get different styles of BURIAL CASES and CASKETS. My stock of Coffin Trimmings surpasses anything of the kind that was ever exhibited in this market before. With an experience of 20 years among you, and close attention to business, I will in the future as in the past, endeavor to give full satisfaction in my line of business, and thus merit your esteem.

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Weston, April 29.

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Every year increases the popularity of this valuable Hair Preparation, which is due to merit alone. We can assure our old patrons that it is kept fully up to its high standard; and it is the only reliable and perfected preparation for restoring GRAY or FADING Hair to its youthful color, making it soft, lustrous, and silken. The scalp, by its use, becomes white and clean. It removes all eruptions and dandruff, prevents the hair from falling out, as it stimulates and nourishes the hair-glands. By its use, the hair grows thicker and stronger. In baldness, it restores the capillary glands to their normal vigor, and will create a new growth, except in extreme old age. It is the most economical HAIR-DRESSING ever used, as it requires fewer applications, and gives the hair a splendid, glossy appearance. A. A. Hayes, M.D., State Assayer of Massachusetts, says, "The constituents are pure, and carefully selected for excellent quality; and I consider it the BEST PREPARATION for its intended purposes."

Sold by all Druggists and Dealers in Medicines.

Price One Dollar.

## Buckingham's Dye.

FOR THE WHISKERS.

As our Renewer in many cases requires too long a time, and too much care, to restore gray or faded Whiskers, we have prepared this dye, in one preparation, which will quickly and effectually accomplish this result. It is easily applied, and produces a color which will neither rub nor wash off. Sold by all Druggists. Price Fifty Cents. Manufactured by R. P. HALL & CO., NASHUA, N.H.

## LAND SALE.

Charles B. Hall, administrator of Wm. P. Raymond, deceased, &c.,

vs.

The representatives and estates of Robert and James McCray, deceased.

IN CHANCERY.

Under decree of the Circuit Court of Lewis county in this case, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, in front of the Court House of Lewis county, on the

2d day of August, 1875,

being the first day of the August term of the County Court of Lewis county, a tract of

84 1/2 ACRES OF LAND,

in Webster county, on Buffalo Fork of Little Kanawha River, assigned by decree in said case to the heirs of Robert McCray.

Purchaser must give notes with good security, bearing interest from date, payable in 6, 12 and 18 months; and the title will be reserved until the further order of Court.

HENRY BRANNON, Commissioner.